## **HONEY**

Honey production in 2006 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 210,000 pounds, down 198,000 pounds from 2005. There were 5,000 producing colonies in 2006, down 3,000 colonies from 2005. Yield per colony averaged 42 pounds, down 9 pounds from 2005. Honey stocks on December 15, 2006, were reported

at 57,000 pounds, down 45,000 pounds from the amount reported in 2005. Prices for the 2006 crop averaged \$1.95 per pound, up 65 cents from the \$1.30 per pound in 2005. Value of production totaled 410,000 dollars, down 120,000 dollars from the revised 2005 value.

HONEY: Number of Colonies, Production, Value and Stocks, 1997-2006 1/2

Year	Producing Colonies	Production		Average Price		- 2/
		per Colony	Total	per Pound	Value	Stocks 2/
	(000)	Pounds	(000) Pounds	Dollars	(000) Dollars	(000) Pounds
1997	8	70	560	1.11	622	280
1998	6	55	330	1.14	376	155
1999	6	39	234	1.09	255	152
2000	7	54	378	1.22	461	234
2001	7	65	455	1.42	646	410
2002	9	51	459	1.32	606	151
2003	8	47	376	1.89	711	194
2004	9	55	495	1.41	698	183
2005	8	51	408	1.30*	530*	102
2006	5	42	210	1.95	410	57

<sup>1/</sup> For producers with 5 or more colonies. 2/ Stocks held by producers as of December 15. Does not include stocks under loan. \*Revised.

## TROUT

There were 28 operations that reported selling trout and/ or distributing trout in 2006, up 2 from 2005. The 18 commercial trout producers in West Virginia had fish sales of \$235,000 for the 12 month period from January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006. This was a 32 percent decrease from the \$348,000 in fish sales during the same period in 2005.

Commercial trout losses for the period totaled 54,000 pounds, up from 32,000 pounds lost in 2005.

Trout distributed for restoration, conservation, and recreational purposes are estimated at 2.0 million dollars, up 11 percent from the 2005 value of 1.8 million dollars. A total of 13 operations reported distributing trout, down 1 from 2005.

## **WEST VIRGINIA TROUT OPERATIONS BY TYPES, 2002-2006**

Year	Selling 1	Γrout	Distributed Trout	Total Operations			
	Number of Operations	ations Total Value of Sales Number of Operations		Total opolations			
(000) Dollars							
2002	17	583	11	25			
2003	15	477	14	25			
2004	21	694	16	31			
2005	17	348	14	26			
2006	18	235	13	28			

## WEST VIRGINIA TROUT: Number, Weight and Value of Foodsize Sales (12" or longer in length), 2002-2006

Year	Number Sold	Pounds Sold 1/	Value of Sales	Ave Dries nor Dound	
rear	Number Sold	Pourius Solu	value of Sales	Avg. Price per Pound	
	(000)	(000)	(000) Dollars	Dollars	
2002	300	349	559	1.60	
2003	320	333	450	1.35	
2004	363	378	658	1.74	
2005	161	172	330	1.92	
2006	99	100	209	2.09	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1/</sup> Pounds sold live weight.